

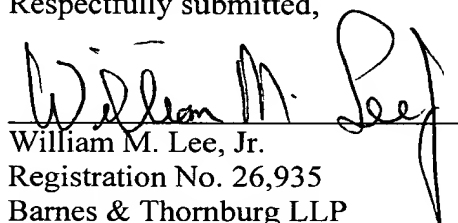
Remarks

The above amendments are being made in order to cancel several of the claims to reduce issues for appeal. Also, when reviewing the claims, it was noted that a typographical error appeared in the last paragraph of claim 8, where the term “encodes” should be “encoding”, and also, to make the claim clearer, the word “encryption” has been added before the “key” to reflect the earlier recitation of the encryption key in the claim.

An Appeal Brief is being filed concurrently herewith.

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Respectfully submitted,

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